

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
LOK SABHA**

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SPECIAL AGRICULTURAL PRODUCE SCHEME
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the government has notified a special agriculture produce scheme so as to increase the agriculture produces;
- (b) if so, the details thereof?
- (c) whether the Government has any schemes to credit the export value on exporting certain special produces;
- (d) if so, the percentage proposed to receive credited thereof;
- (e) whether the exporters will be permitted to procure machinery and raw material in lieu of exports of these items; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY(SHRI E.V.K.S. ELANGO VAN)

(a) to (d): Yes, Sir. In the Foreign Trade Policy 2004-09 announced on 31st August 2004, Vishesh Krishi Upaj Yojana has been introduced with an objective to promote export of Fruits, Vegetables, Flowers, Minor Forest Produce and their value added products. Export of items as given in Para 3.8.2.1 of the Foreign Trade Policy 2004-09 shall qualify for Duty Credit Scrips equivalent to 5% of FOB value of exports.

(e) & (f): Under the scheme the Duty Credit Scrips may be used for inputs or goods including capital goods provided the same are freely importable under ITC(HS) Classification of Export and Import Items. The details of a few specific items which, however, are not permitted to be imported under the scheme are given in Para 3.8.3.1 of Foreign Trade Policy 2004-09.